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FIVE CENTS

Area panel reviews current draft laws

By Pete Materna

Area students and citizens met at Boston University Wednesday to examine current draft laws and various suggested alternatives.

The present draft laws, which must be renewed every four years, will expire June 30, 1971. Three separate speakers, a

panelist on the Gates Commission (a federal commission examing the draft laws), a legislative assistant to the Congressional sponsor of the National Service Act, and a representative of " the National Council to Repeal the Draft, delivered their prepared talks and then faced questions from a panel drawn from the Boston area.

Organization proposals

The Gates Commission recommended last February that the draft be allowed to expire and be replaced by an allvolunteer military. John Kemper, a Commission member, explained the advantages seen in an all volunteer military, while Frederick Lord of the National Council to Repeal the Draft took a position that "concerned Americans must prevent the extension of the Selective Service Act."

Arthur Condliffe is a legislative assistant to Congressman Jonathan Bingham of New York, sponsor of the National Service Act of 1970. He sees that act as a draft alternative more likely to pass Congress than a bill embodying the Gates Report, Selective Service had been invited to send a representative to the conference, according to the sponsors, but declined.

'National Service'

Congressman Bingham's bill would replace the Selective Service Act and would give the 18-year-old three choices: volunteer for military service, volun-

military lottery. Civilian service, specifically, could take the form of the Peace Corps or VISTA, or jobs in such civilian areas as hospital work, health, public safety and environment, or training in the Civilian Service Corps. The term of service as a civilian would be longer than that in the

He was challanged by panelist the Rev. James Nash, who drew applause when he contended that this proposal is "based on the same perverted assumptions as the draft" in that the proposal is still compulsory, the fixed period of time still makes it seem like a punishment, and the draft is in reality likely to be continued.

Condliffe replied that a volunteer army amendment this year failed in the Senate (a far more liberal body than the House). While there is growing sentiment in the country and the Congress for overhaul of the Selective Service System, the House Armed Services Committee Chairman, L. Mendel Rivers, has been reluctant. Rivers pro-

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BSU-SDS union falters

By Curtis Reeves

The Black Students Union (BSU) came to a standstill in its efforts to combine with MITSDS and the University Action Group (UAG) to plan a strategy for getting pay raises for three black workers at the Faculty Club. The workers claim that they have been victims of racist attacks by their boss.

The Tuesday night meeting ran for two hours before the members of BSU began to form their own discussion groups. Major disagreement followed a discussion of the motives behind supporting the workers in their struggle for better working conditions. -

Pay raise

Leaders of BSU opposed the view expressed by some members of SDS that a victory in this case would "prove that black and white workers and students can fight the administration and win." It was the opinion of BSU that the primary purpose of any action is getting a pay raise for the workers. One BSU member said that he had to think of the workers first because "they are going to be the ones to get the brunt" of any



Students march up the building seven steps Monday afternoon on their way to a protest at the faculty club. The BSU, SDS, and UAG have met to try and direct a united attack against alleged racism.

Photo by Dave Vogel

backlash.

Herb Lee, who has worked at join local 186 of the Building the Faculty Club for fifteen Service Employees Union. years and serves as spokesman. Having done some research on for the group.

Lee said that in 1962, when

'Doubled-crossed'

the group decided to join a The meeting was chaired by union, Morrison told them to his own, Lee decided that it would be better for the group to join local 254, and took steps to join that local. Lee said that Morrison expressed disappointment at being "double-crossed," and after the workers refused to take his clothes to the dry cleaners, they were given less time for breaks and were subjected to other types of harassment.

It was after Lee saw a list of In another student's view, the pay scales for employees that he perfect president would have a contacted SDS. Of the list he combination of vision and effec- said, "we-weren't even on it. but we were getting less than anybody else." Lee said that he hadn't heard of BSU at the time.

'Very racist'

Lee termed the local to which he belongs as "very racist." and said that his union dues of four dollars a month are practically wasted. He noted that no one from the union has ever said that the union would fight to help the workers get more money and stated that when union officials

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Search lacks student input

At the September 22 meeting of CJAC, the student members of that committee complained of the lack of a student group to give direct input on the presidency to the Corporation. Interviews with these and other students have reaffirmed that complaint, and have sent many students looking for ways to make up for the loss.

Students seemed eager to say something on this subject; for many it was a long awaited first experience. Graduate students thought that the student body teer for civilian service, or take a was merely being lax in giving its world, and when the world is so chance on being drafted in the opinion, but undergraduates much into people, it must be a

blamed their silence on the unwillingness that the Corporation has shown in listening to student input in the past. A typical statement was: "Not many students feel that they know anything about the presidency or want to comment on it."

Students were also ready to comment on what the post of the president should be in relation to the Institute. One disagreed with President Johnson's write-off of the university as a political force. He said, "When people are so much into the

political force. It is only a problem of how you will address yourself to the political structure."

tiveness in decision-making.

But many students did not comment, saying that they saw no hope for the office. "I don't think that a person would be able to do what he wants to do." Others remained quiet, feeling that this poll would be useless.

Upon being informed that the student faction of CJAC is the student input group on the presidency, one sophomore said that he felt that those students would merely echo what the Corporation said, and added, "Frankly, I don't trust them."

Eban proposes Arab state

By Harvey Baker

Speaking at Harvard's Sanders Theatre Monday night, Abba Eban, Foreign Minister of the State of Israel, called for the existence of two separate independent nations in the Middle East, both Isreal and a Palestinian state.

But, emphasized Eban, Israel cannot allow a Palestinian state to spring up in its place, but rather would want it to be located on the East Bank of the Jordan.

"International cooperation and diplomacy," said Eban "does not require national suicide."

Capacity crowd

The lecture, sponsored by the Harvard-Radcliffe Hillel Society, began at 5:00 pm and lasted for about an hour, but by 4:30 Sanders was already filled to capacity and hundreds of people had to be turned away. Leafletters for pro-Israeli and pro-Arab or Palestinian groups bombarded the crowd with literature as they entered the hall, but it seemed to have little effect on them. provoking more irritation than anything else.

Roots of the problem

Eban's speech, "Prospects for Peace in the Middle East," began by tracing the historical character of the Middle East dispute. Eban stated that the roots of the problem were thousands of years old, but have had a violent updating as a result of the 1967

It was Eban's position that because the pre-1967 situation was what led to the war in the first place, a return to these conditions hardly guarantees a peaceful solution to the crisis. Rather, Eban said, permanent boundaries and open cooperation are called for, with each side gaining from the presence of the other.

He said that commerce, rail and pipe lines, and agricultural improvements could all be mutually shared by the Arab and Israeli states if peace were a reality.

Arab recognition

The Foreign Minister played down the question of Arab recognition of Israel, because, he said, Israel exists whether the Arabs recognize it or not, and the fact of its existence is what Arab states.



Abba Eban

counts. "If a man were to walk around telling everyone he recognized you, you would think he was a mental case," he said. The question of recognition is regarded by Israel in a similar light,

Right to exist?

Why is it, Eban wanted to know, that of all nations on earth, only Israel's right to exist is questioned? Why, he asked, not Norway or Peru? The answer to this question, he implied was rooted in a peculiar form of anti-Semitism, manifested by the

Harvard faculty okays 'individualized majors'

Sciences has approved a plan that will allow students to design their own major fields of concentration.

Subject to the approval of a faculty advisor, a student who felt confined by the standard departmental programs would be permitted to assemble a "major" from two or three fields as diverse as, for example, physics and classics.

Most students will be unaffected by the plan. Those desiring to assemble an unorthodox major are required to show that their programs are wellmotivated, while requirements for students majoring in the traditional areas are not affected. The new plan is also distinct from opportunities for interdisciplinary majors that presently exist.

The Harvard Crimson told The Tech that demand by stu-

Harvard's Faculty of Arts and dents for opportunities offered by the new program has actually been slight, but that existing departmental requirements are fairly rigid and inflexible, with only rare opportunities for substitutions.

> Recommendations for further changes in curricula will be

The Tech's article Tuesday, November 10, incorrectly quoted Pierre as pledging that blacks would use racism as a weapon against whites. Rather, he warned that "the institutions erected and so long maintained to oppress black people may one day be turned against whites themselves."

forthcoming in the near future from a committee established last year to evaluate undergraduate education. It is likely that several general education and distributional requirements will be eliminated, the Crimson said.

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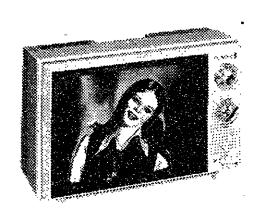
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Commons: a thirteen year perspective

voluntary commons is a long and frustrating one which may soon have a happy ending.

In 1957 MIT switched from an Institute-run dining service to one run by an outside agency. It turned the operation over to the Stouffer Foods Corporation which has had it ever since. At that time there was some discussion of the issue of compulsory vs. voluntary commons. The 1956 report of the Ryer Committee strongly endorsed the idea of compulsory commons. To quote from the report: "Pleasant and relaxed dining within the student's own house can and should be a significant educational experience. Very few other occasions can so profitably he utilized for the exchange of ideas between students and their elders." However, according to a memo of William Mackintosh, Assistant Director of the Office of General Services at that time, "There is considerable opinion in favor of a voluntary commons meal program."

Voluntary commons, however ran up against some hard economic facts. A plan was advanced by which Baker's dining hall would serve both Baker and Burton on a voluntary basis (at that time Burton had no dining hall). In the end, compulsory commons won out. Walker and Ashdown remained then as now voluntary commons facilities. In 1961 Burton gained a dining hall and compulsory commons. When McCormick and Mac-Gregor were built they were equipped with dining facilities. and their residents were required to take commons meals.

In the period immediately following the opening of the Burton Dining Hall, there were numerous complaints from the residents who previously had not been on compulsory commons. Their complaints were directed at getting more cooperation from the Dining Service rather than directly at obtaining voluntary commons. For example, there was a strong attempt to obtain liberal transfer privileges. However, having students eat in their own dorms had been a primary goal of compulsory commons.

In 1963, the Committee on Student Environment dealt a heavy blow to the cause of voluntary commons. (In a supposedly "interim" report, the Committee set undergraduate housing policy for the following seven years.) The Committee endorsed building dining halls in all new undergraduate residences, retaining compulsory commons, and extending it to all "undergraduate male Institute-owned" houses as well as McCormick Hall. The Committee left the decision regarding extension of the commons plan to 18 or 20 meals per week to "student preference."

That voluntary commons remained as an important issue to students after this is evidenced by the fact that the question was discussed on flyers for the 1964 UAP election. One candidate stated: "Two of the reasons for compulsory commons, indirect

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The story of the struggle for health, given by CSE in The Tech, are weak. The real reason is financial. The Institute has, unfortunately, no sizable endowments to provide funds for dorms, etc. Without compulsory commons in Burton and Baker, it is likely that the dining service could not survive."

served better food at lower prices. Their supporters were divided between those who sought better quality food and those who objected philosophically to the compulsory nature of commons. The students sought access to statistics on commons' costs. They were denied them.

The boycott was broken by

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In 1966 student agitation against compulsory commons developed in Burton House, culminating in a letter to Laurence H. Bishoff, Assistant to the Vice President, Operations and Personnel. The letter, published in the Burton House Reflector announced the result of a poll of Burton House residents. The poll revealed that based on a sampling rate of 30%, 88.5% of the residents opposed compulsory commons. The letter did not state if the questions on the poll mentioned the possibility of a price rise to cover voluntary commons. The letter also quoted bits of MIT philosophy gathered from various publications which tended not to support the rationale behind compulsory commons. This writer was unable to find any documentation of an administration response.

In October, 1968, an open letter to Bishoff from the UAP. the Presidents of Burton, Baker, and McCormick and the Editor of the Burton House Walrus called for an end to compulsory commons by the fall of 1969. The administration response was in the form of a meeting of then-Dean for Student Affairs Kenneth Wadleigh, Bishoff, Stouffer's representative Terry Moore, and the students. The administrators stated their position as being that they had to keep all dining halls open with reasonable prices and doing so required compulsory commons. Then the discussion started mixing the issue of voluntary commons with that of commons

A poll taken by the chairman the Burton House Commons Committee in November, 1968, produced a surprising result. With a sampling of 26.6% the poll indicated that only 32.4% of Burton residents supported voluntary commons. One possible explanation for the low figure is that the poll indicated that voluntary commons would entail a price increase, meal purchases on a per meal basis only, and the end of unlimited seconds.

At the beginning of the 1969 spring term, several West Campus students, mainly from Purton, organized a Commons boycott, with the stated goals of registering dissatisfaction with the existing commons 'system and achieving at least some type semi-voluntary commons. Their main financial argument was that several restaurants

administration statements that compulsory commons would remain and that every resident of dorms with dining halls had a financial responsibility to pay his commons fee whether or not he took commons. Dean Wadleigh reiterated the two premises that the dining service should be operated on a break-even basis and that the Institute should plan to have a dining room in every house. He also stated that if a person did not want commons, he could change to a dorm in which commons was not compulsory. (This argument is considered fallacious by most of the present members of the AdHoc Dining Service Advisory Committee). In somewhat contradictory statements Wadleigh said that it was considered unfair to shift the burden of commons from those dormitory residents who did not participate to those who did, if some residents went off commons, and that MIT would not subsidize its dining services, for this would be unfair to those students who did not live in dorms. At this time, the administra-

tion introduced the "club plan" as an option for students required to take commons. Although they claimed it was introduced in response to requests from McCormick students and not as a response to the boycott, this was not believed by many of the boycotting students. The club plan was nicknamed the "bludgeon plan," a plan under which commons was "entirely optional, at extra cost." Under the plan a student paid a mandatory fee of \$145 and could then buy meals on an a la carte basis at a reduced price. The Burton House Walrus stated that, "The Institute's willingness to take your ransom fee of \$145 proves the irrelevance of any nonfinancial arguments for compulsory commons." Critics pointed out that if a person took the club plan and bought all the meals for an entire semester, his total outlay would be \$70 more than that of a student on a regular commons contract. Twelve students signed up for the plan.

At a March, 1969 meeting of the Burton House Commons Committee, it was pointed out that commons at MIT was partially subsidized in two ways (capital subsidy, such as the principal on the dining hall mortgage being paid by the Alumni Fund, and hidden subsi-

dize the dining program since not everyone eats commons. Two polls taken in the spring of 1969 indicated great support for voluntary commons. In a March referendum McCormick residents voted 80 to 65 in favor of "voluntary commons if it involved closing the dining hall." In May a poll of Burton, Baker, and McCormick showed 87% of

Burton respondents, 91% of

Baker respondents, and 80% of

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small or no increase in cost. Also, in spring 1969 support for voluntary commons came from two widely different sources. The General Assembly passed a resolution favoring voluntary commons. And the Corporation Visiting Committee on Student Affairs called compulsory commons one of the three biggest problems of MIT stu-

Sometime in spring 1969 the Ad Hoc Dining Service Advisory Committee (AHDSAC) formed itself. Consisting at first of 5 members, the committee grew to 15, including students, faculty, and administration. The committee defined its goal as finding an alternative to compulsory commons which would still allow the dining services to operate without a deficit.

In spring 1970 the committee polled residents of all Institute Houses, asking them if they favored a program levying a fee of between \$17.50 and \$25.00 on all dormitory residents, allowing commons to become voluntary. Based on the results of this poll, the administration decided against implementing this plan for fall 1970.

In fall 1970 interest in voluntary commons has focused on two groups: Students Having Intestinal Troubles and the AHDSAC. SHIT, a group of Baker House students, initiated mass meal transfers in protest to voluntary commons. A meeting between the students and administrators satisfied few of the students.

More productive actions appear to be taking place in the AHDSAC. It is clear that all of the committee members favor voluntary commons. These members include the Director and Assistant Director of Housing and Dining and two Deans. Among the methods considered for financing it are closing some dining halls, a tax on dormitory students, and seeking funds from the Academic Council (i.e. tuition). It is expected that the committee will make a recommendation sometime this term, one and a half years after its formation. The committee has no official authority, but its recommendations will probably be followed.



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Analysis

Search lacks student input

By Alex Makowski

Student opinion is not getting through on the presidential

President Johnson announced his resignation back in September; the organized, official examination of possible successors began shortly afterwards. In spite of the wide circulation of the news of Johnson's resignation, few students are disposed to discuss either the job or the man, let alone offer written or well-considered recommenda-

Some students have blamed the Corporation Executive Committee for its callous attitude when it set up the search mechanism. The advisory committee then established consisted solely of off-campus figures. The Executive Committee suggested that the faculty form their own committee to advise the Corporation's advisory committee, while the students were totally ig-

Yet if the Corporation were responsible for the current apathy, their action would have precipitated a blast of indignation and at least a General Assembly motion condemning the process. Instead, not a peep of protest. The student CJAC members, Randy Hawthorne, Steve Ehrmann, and Stan Wylie, have made a few attempts at soliciting student views, without success.

It could be argued that discussion of possibilities has been too concealed, too well-hidden from student eyes, to involve graduates and undergraduates in the current discussion. But short of holding CJAC meetings in 26-100 during 8.01 lectures, almost everything has been tried. Grafitti boards were set up in the Building 7 lobby; they evoked several pleas to "come to Paul's trial" but little else substantial. Various committees have tried publicized meetings in

Visiting committee

By Harold Federow

meets in seclusion

Today and tomorrow the Corporation Visiting Committee on Student Affairs will be meeting to discuss the advisory system. For an issue that is so important to MIT students, we would expect some publicity and an opportunity to talk with the committee, and perhaps even submit some written thoughts.

The visiting committee system was set up to provide the Corporation and relevant departments with feedback on how well that particular department was doing in educating its students and to discuss whether or not changes should be made in how the department operates. MIT has one of the most active visiting committee systems of any university. The committees are composed of three members of the Corporation, three alumni, and three outsiders with some expertise in the relevant field.

Broad scope

committee has a comparable set of functions, only their purview is the whole of student life, as well as the Dean for Student Affairs Office. As UAVP Steve-Ehrmann puts it, "they critique the operation of the Dean's Office; they look at the general student affairs picture; they suggest how the general situation could be improved." In the past, they have also approved such changes as the formal abolition of parietal restrictions and having the rules which govern women living off campus be the same as those for men.

In addition to the above, the visiting committee has one other very important function: it serves as the major input for student feelings to the Corporation. The Corporation Joint Advisory Committee (CJAC) con-

siders those issues which are given to it; the visiting committee is free to range over all those things that are relevant to student life.

Little publicity

At the end of last April, the visiting committee was on campus, and this meeting is an outgrowth of that last one. They came on campus towards the end of one of the most tense years MIT has ever had. Who knew about it? About the only publicity was an editorial in The Tech urging people to attend. If ever broad student input on MIT were important it was surely then. Some non-invited students did come, and some dialogue did take place, but we cannot help but wish that many more students had known about it so that they could have participated.

Now there is another meeting. Not only is it not an open meeting, it is at Endicott House. To be sure students were invited, The student affairs visiting but they were the co-opted type with which we are familiar. (This is not to say that there is no justification for most of the visiting committee's time on campus to be spent with a certain group of students and members of the Dean's Office; the Dean's Office probably does have a lot more knowledge about the advisory system as a whole than any other group at MIT. They do need to present their own viewpoints and ideas for correctives.)

More student input

However, what would be wrong with taking a couple of hours to have interested students discuss their views of how the advisory system does or doesn't affect them? At worst, no one would come. At best, a lot of points in the various Dean's Office working papers would be confirmed or denied.

such easily accessible spots as Building 10, but no one came. A letter went out from the UAP's office to all living group presidents requesting them to send a review of their own house's feelings - and no one answered.

Apparantly there is something fundamental about office itself that transcends any annoyance with or ignorance of the search mechanism. Many students made their feelings known. last November; why are they silent now?

Apparantly the students here have been too isolated from the president's office. Obviously, MIT is a complicated place to manage, and Johnson was never in close enough touch with the undergraduate populace to make students feel that he was closely connected to their own lives. Faculty members work with him at least once a month, and sporadically receive his policy decisions through the Institute mail, but students may pursue their studies for weeks at a time without feeling the immediate impact of any of his decisions.

All too many students do not realize that the president's office does have a large effect on the quality of the education they pay their \$2500 a year for. The decisions Johnson made as to which features of MIT merited special emphasis were instrumental in determining the overall character of the Institute. Were his successor committed, for example, to the expansion of research, MIT might gain points with various scientific societies,

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Letters to The Tech

WELLESLEY BUS

To the Editor:

In response to the complaints about the Wellesley-MIT bus registered on the November 3 The Tech editorial page:

1.) No bus stop on West Campus. The Building 39 stop was chosen because it is close to the main campus and there is a suitable place for the bus to pick up and discharge passengers and turn around. The entrance to the Sloan parking lot is used since there is space for the bus to stand if there are a few minutes between runs. The bus does not travel the entire length of Vassar Street by West Campus. The driver determines the route according to traffic conditions. Another bus stop would add time to an already tight sched-

2.) Late buses. The bus company was experiencing radiator problems with the 39 passenger suburbanite buses being used. These vehicles were recalled, and 47 passenger coach service is being provided temporarily at no additional cost. Since then, the buses have been running close to schedule, with the exception of some early morning and late

afternoon buses which are slowed by rush hour traffic. However, the 47 passenger coaches are not equipped with radios, which may present some problems.

3.) Overcrowded buses. Beginning this fall the Wellesley-MIT bus has been free to all students-not only crossregistered students. The number of people using the bus has, of course, increased. However, to maintain a free transportation system, everyone using the bus must keep in mind that the purpose of the Wellesley-MIT bus is to provide transportation for cross-registered students who are travelling to or returning from an academic appointment related to the exchange. These exchange students must have ablsolute priority in the event of an overloaded bus. Others (including cross-registered students who are not riding to or returning directly from a class at the exchange school) may use the bus as space permits on a first-comefirst-served basis.

Everyone involved with the decision for a free bus hoped that the arrangement would be respected by all those using the bus. At the beginning of the term Wellesley President Ruth Adams sent a letter to the Wellesley College community explaining that the new free bus system would be enforced voluntarily by students. After the incident mentioned in The Tech editorial, Dean Phyllis Fleming, Co-chairman of the Wellesley-MIT Joint Committee, again appealed for everyone's support in a letter to the Wellesley News.

During the past week, especially, the bus drivers reported overloads on some of the runs. For safety reasons this practice cannot continue. The problems of overcrowding will be more severe when service is reduced from the 47 passenger coach to the 39 passenger suburbanite.

To avoid returning to a ticket system, we must have the cooperation of everyone using the bus to insure that students who are travelling directly to or from an academic appointment at the exchange school have a place on the bus. This cooperation may mean that some people may not be able to use the bus at a given hour, but it will also mean that the Wellesley-MIT bus can remain free,

R. A. Alberty Dean, School of Science Co-chairman, Wellesley. MIT Exchange

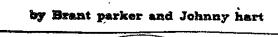
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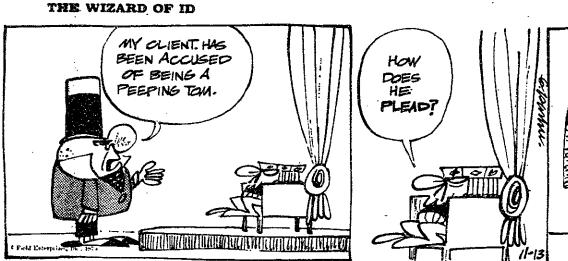
To the Editor:

It is appalling that a single administration official can, even today, act with such despotic authoritarianism in suppressing the legitimate activities of American citizens and MIT students as has Dean J. Daniel Nyhart.

He has given no reasons for vetoing the SHL mixer ("...it is my opinion"). He says that no students want to be misunderstood or scorned, yet by his action he encourages both. And

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The Wizard of Id appears daily and Sunday in the Boston Herald Traveler.

BSU-SDS coalition falters over motives

Continued from page 1 came to arbitrate, they sat with Morrison, ate steaks or other expensive items, and had cocktails before talking to the workers.

It was pointed out that a decision was reached between Faculty Club President Zenon Zannatos and the union-without a consultation with the workers.

A hearing is to be conducted on a non-adversary basis, with each side providing all information needed, but not being allowed to give any argument. Since the union and the employees can't get together, it will be up to the Club and the union to submit questions. Lee, in describing this system, was disgusted that the decision of the arbitrators will be final, especially since the union, in his words, "is not for me."

Lee concluded that the asked rate of \$3.26 per hour "to me seems very little," and that he didn't see "how they want to stop [the protest] if they don't give us any money."

Differences

It was in the discussion that followed that the differences in opinion between the BSU and the SDS came out. It was brought to the attention of the meeting that Morrison is only a single member of the committee that has final say over the pay of these workers. BSU's reason for coming to SDS, who took the initiative to solve the problem, was "so we wouldn't be bumping heads."

Henry Lacy, another of the workers, asked the two groups to work together, and pledged that none of the workers was going to quit; instead they would "fight this thing to the end."

In response, one member of the BSU noticed that the two groups had "different tactics, different ideologies." It was emphasized that account should be given to "BSU's effectiveness within the administration." They didn't think that the Institute would care if the students decided on a sit-in, and suggested that if action was to be taken, that it be more militant.

Militant actions

SDS responded with ideas of militant actions. One suggestion



was that if no open meeting was called for soon, "we ought to have a sit in." Another SDS member urged more immediacy when he said, "I think we ought to stop the Faculty Club from running."

One comment on last year's sit-ins was, "they didn't have any kind of basic support at all. I think in this case the demands are very clear, and I think that we have this opportunity for a lot of support on campus."

BSU members suggested that the urgency of the situation be explained, but SDS answered, "We want to go beyond that. We want to attack MIT's racist practices on the entire campus." BSU countered by saying "why not a direct blow instead of trying to smother MIT with embarassment?" When the meeting broke up a few minutes later, this question still had not been answered.

CJAC SEARCH

Continued from opposite page but its role as an educational institution would undoubtably suffer

Another cause of the student apathy might be the current abstract nature of the discussion. Many students may be unwilling to participate in theoretical discussions of what the characteristics of the job and the man should be. Perhaps a release of the names of people being considered would make current discussions more concrete, more conducive to student involvement. If this exposure is deemed impractical, some similar move could be instrumental in arousing student interest.

But students themselves must feel a responsibility to insist that their opinions be heard. One CJAC member has suggested that students type up their ideas and tack them to Vince Fulmer's door. Fulmer is Secretary of the Institute; he has helped co-ordinate the search, and any comments delivered to him will reach CJAC.

Letters to The Tech

Continued from opposite page above all, he has taken a unilateral action in reversing the findings of a democratic body (the GA), and then asks that we come and reason together.

There is nothing to reason about

No one on this campus should be thwarted in his legitimate activities, particularly by fiat of one bureaucrat.

I would urge the GA to generally promote respect and understanding by its actions. The GA should not negotiate with Nyhart but should immediately facilitate a mixer on MIT property.

I imagine a great deal of trauma can be avoided by doing immediately simply what one should do: treat other human beings as equals.

(Editor's note: ... Nyhart has attempted to explain his position in two statements published in The Tech on September 29 and October 23).

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Bank's departure leaves hole to fill

The Student Center Committee (SCC) is now in the process of filling the space left vacant by the demise of the old Student Bank. The bank, located in the basement of the Student Center. was closed because not enough students made use of it.

Many ideas have been discussed, including such proposals as ping pong tables, Student Art Association exhibits and demonstrations, and installation of Tech Model Railroad Club's setup. The subcommittee studying the situation has considered removing the glass walls to make an open lounge.

The most interesting plan which the SCC considers practical and legal is to purchase three or four bumper pool tables. (Bumper pool tables are half the size of regular pool tables and have bumpers to make the game more interesting.) The proposed "bumper pool room" would be open the same hours as the bowling lanes and the regular pool rooms. which are run by MIT.

The committee considers this the most promising idea they have received; however, according to SCC members, more student input is wanted. They may be reached at x3913. In any case, an opportunity for students to affect their own lives would be offered.

Announcements

- There will be a meeting of the Undergraduate Assembly nominations committee Tuesday, November 24, at 7:30 pm in W20-400. Interviews will be held for positions on the following committees: Activities Development Board; Committee on Evaluation of Freshman Performance; CEP task force on an experimental division; GSC representatives; CEP task force on the IAP; MIT-Wellesley Exchange Committee; Advisory Committee on Selective Service; Committee on Student-taught Courses.
- * The Nominations Committee of the Graduate Student Council will interview candidates for the following positions Wednesday, November 18 at 5 pm in Walker Memorial room 110: MIT Library Board; Activities Development Board; Ad Hoc Dining Services Board; Advisory Committee on Placement.
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- * The Institute of International Education is sponsoring a seminar at the College of Europe in Bruges, Belgium. Those interested in modern European history and international relations and who want to go to Europe for spring term 1971 should contact Dean Hazen's office, 10-303, x5243.
- * Minor White will speak on his exhibition, "Be-ing Without Clothes," Thursday, November 19, at 8 pm in Hayden Gallery.
- * There will be a women's Conference to discuss the people's new constitution Novemver 14 from 9:30 am to 5 pm at the BU Women's Center, 232 Bay State Road.
- * Dr. Alan Cohen will speak on "Drugs, Consciousness, and Avatar Meher Baba" Sunday, November 22, at 8 pm at the Lowell Lecture Hall, 17 Kirkland Street, Cambridge.

Letters to The Tech

To the Editor:

This is written in response to the letter by Jeff Gale you published in your last issue. He claims concerts at MIT lose money due to high costs and "those who misplan the concerts," and uses the Tom Rush concert, which is scheduled for the same night as two other concerts in the greater Boston area, as an example.

MIT on-campus concerts have been losing money due to: 1.) rising costs of artists; 2.) increasing tightness of money on the part of the average consumer; 3.) greater diversification in music tastes-e.g. acid rock vs. folk rock vs. jazz rock; 4.) the competition of all of the greater Boston area; 5.) the comparatively small size of Kresge; and 6.) administrative policy restricting ticket sales to on-campus. Reasons one through five are not easily changed; six is being worked on.

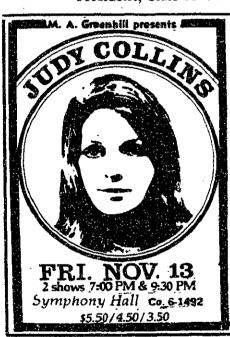
The Tom Rush Concert is taking place at the same time as other concerts in the area because: 1.) the Boston area has the greatest concentration of colleges and college students in the country and therefore there are hundreds of entertainment events on and off campus directed at the college audience each weekend; 2.) it would be a difficult task for an IBM 370 to keep track of every thing planned, and all things to be planned in the future, in this area, to try to avoid conflicts; 3.) Kresge Auditorium is heavily

booked all year; and 4.) even if it were possible to know all the events that are going to occur, some even before they are planned, and given first priority on Kresge Auditorium, all we could do to eliminate the competition would be to hold the concert on a Tuesday morning.

We hoped by charging a "break-even" ticket price, less than our competitors would charge for an equally popular artist, and by adding the convenience of of holding the concert on campus, we would be investing a portion of our donut money to provide a service to the MIT community.

I hope to see Jeff Gale at the Tom Rush Concert and hope that this clears up his obviously confused mind.

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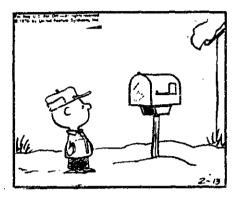


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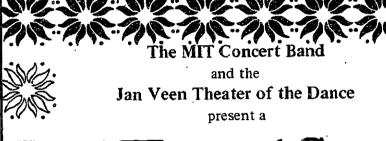
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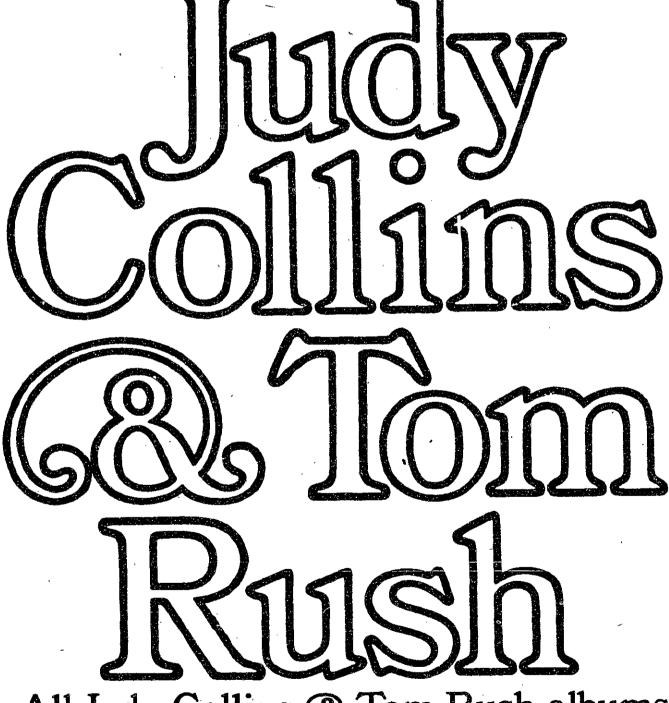
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Panel reviews draft laws

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mised such a review last year. but has been very uncooperative so far this year in even holding hearings. Finally, Condliffe said that now (between sessions) is the time to start doing some-thing about draft action in the next session of Congress

'All-volunteer'

John Kemper presented the advantages of an all-volunteer military, as advanced by the Gates Commission last February. they contended that voluntarism is preferable in our society to compulsion and that a volunteer force would be adquate to defend the nation-a peacetime draft is not required. The budget increase would be \$2.7 billion. but this would cut what are now hidden costs so that it would actually be cheaper as a whole. They also concluded that the military would not become more isolated from society and that the composition of the military would not change significantly if pay were increased and other recommended improvements were made.

Officer corps

While the panel was examining the question of whether a volunteer military would be more or less independent and adventurous than the present one, it was pointed out that the influential part (the officer corps) is already mostly volun-

One panelist commented that were it not for the draft there

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the anti-war movement. To this Frederick Lord replied that this didn't keep us out of Vietnam anyway, and that the military would be subordinated by the stipulation that Congress would have to jointly authorize draft resumption under the President's recommendation.

Draft history

Lord also summarized, in his prepared speech, the history and

would be fewer people behind significance of the draft in the United States. He pictured the draft as a generally unpopular concept-throughout our history and showed that the present continuing peacetime draft is unprecedented.

At a less formal afternoon session of the conference, representatives of many of the 25 sponsoring groups presented their viewpoints and ideas on the same issues.

Debate team places in match at Emory

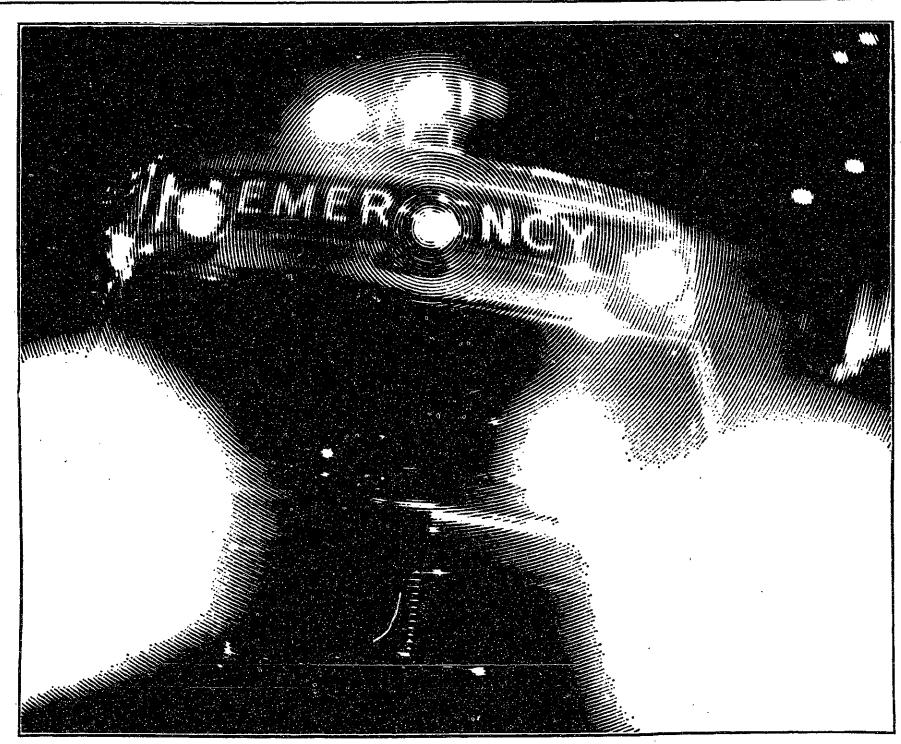
The MIT Debate Team won semifinalist status in the nation's second largest college debate tournament at Emory College, Atlanta, Georgia over the weekend of October 30.

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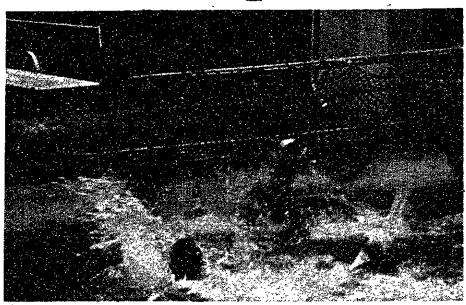
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Sports



Opposing goalie thrusts out of the water but shot by Pete Sanders '72 misses mark. Sanders made second team All-Eastern while Dave James '71 and Jim Roxlo '72 were honorable mention. The swimmers missed the finals at Cornell by losing to first place Yale and second place Brown. Photo by Sheldon Lowenthal

BENCHWARMER

By John Kavazanjian

This year's water polo season established MIT without a doubt as one of the stronger water polo teams in the east. Though not making the finals in the easterns this weekend, the team distinguished itself as a top-rate team, Isosing only the tope two teams and lacking only experience. Next year, virtually the same team will be out there, with a year of playing together under their belt.

This weekend, the all-Eastern water polo team was announced. Tech co-captain Dave James '71 and goalie Jim Roxlo '72 made honorable mention while the other co-captain, Pete Sanders '72, was edged out for first team but managed to make second team forward. Sanders scored 67 out of MIT's 134 goals this year, while James had 25. Roxlo, in his first year in the goal, provided good solid goaltending, coming up with the clutch saves when they were needed. All three will be back next year.

This winter sports season looks to be one of the most prosperous in years. Many teams, such as hockey, have virtually all of last year's team returning while others, like indoor track, will be benefiting from the new freshman eligibility rule.

Prospects for the ice hockey team look good. With all but two of last year's letter winners returning, and some fine sophomore prospects, this year's team looks forward to what should be the first winning season in a while. This year's offense will probably be carried by returning senior co-captains Bill Barber and Andy Jarrell.

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MITAA passes key issues

In a meeting on Tuesday night, the MIT Athletic Association voted to recommend to the Athletic Board that Water Polo and Women's Sailing be made varsity sports and that women's sailing team_members get the same letters as the men's teams. Surprisingly, both motions passed unanimously. Subsequent approval by the Athletic Board. should be forthcoming.

The only serious question raised in the discussion of the water polo team was that of the precedent of varsity water polo. Currently only two schools on the east coast, Fordham and St. Francis, have varsity water polo

teams. There is still no officials' organization but certification of officials will begin this month. With the vote, MIT became the first school in New England to have a varsity water polo team rather than a club. Hopefully all of the Boston schools and most of the other New England schools will follow.

Women's sailing figured to be the main point of controversy. Most people believed that the varsity status provision wouldpass but many thought that the men would object to women receiving the same letters. The viewpoint of the women's team was presented by Kathy Jones

'71, who pointed out that the women's team operates under the same conditions and handles a workout and meet schedule equivalent to the men's team. The obvious logic of the case resulted in the unanimous passing of the policy.

Both motions, if approved by the Athletic Board, will be retroactive to this season. In other words, members of the women's sailing and water polo teams in this past fall season will receive letters if they meet the criteria for letters.

The Athletic Association also voted to recommend that the sports awards banquet, canceled last year due to the strike, be reinstituted this year.

Water polo ends year with loss in easterns

The water polo team finished its season this weekend when it. traveled to Cornell for the eastern regional championships. The Tech aquamen failed to make the finals by virtue of being in the same bracket with and losing to the first and second place teams, Yale and Army.

The Techmen opened up against a powerful Army team and surprised the cadets by jumping out to an early 3-2 lead. Army came back strong in a close game, to win 9-5. Pete Sanders '72 had three goals and Dave James '71 and Dave Rose '74 each added one.

In the second game, the Engineers met Cornell and soundly trounced them, 21-4. Sanders had seven goals, James had five. and Rose had three. Al Graham '71 and Ken Epstein '74 had two each while Allan Epromson '74 added one.

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really tough game. Yale did not want to make the mistake that Army did and underestimate the MIT swimmers and went out full steam, first team all the way, beating the Techmen 20-6. Sanders had three goals, James had two and Ed Kavazanjian '73 had

After the first round, Sanders was second in tournament scoring with twelve and James was 13th with eight goals.

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